York. Members are chosen with due regard to their eligibility, which depends entirely upon their posi-

Subscriptions to the building fund of the New-

The St. Nicholas Skating Club, which was de

scribed in this column last week, has continued to be

most fortunate in the weather conditions, and con

sequently has had success greater than its organizers

dared to hepe for. The club pond in Eighth ave.

has been crowded every afternoon, and even at even-

ing of late, with the best-known young men and

nimest a lost art among the members of the gay world, has become the rage. The young and ener-

getic managers of the club have devoted almost all their entire time and attention of late to its affairs and deserve congratulations upon the success of their offorts.

tion in society.

few months.

TWO POPULAR OFFICERS OF THE LOTOS. THE HANDSOME CLOCK OF THE CITY CLUB-

NOTES ABOUT VARIOUS ORGANIZATIONS. The Lotos Club will in a few months be settled in megniacent new home, Nos. 556 and 558 Fifth-ave., and with its removal to so desirable a neighborhood and with its removal to smiles of fortune in ever-in creating measure. The mere decision to join in the porthward movement of club life in New-York brought many to knock at its door for admission. The cr polation rejoices in the possession of officers of are tact, suavity and popularity, to whom much of m present meed of favor is unquestionably due



FRANK R. LAWRENCE

dent, and will go down in the club's history as the head of the administration which was made petable by the purchase of a new house that no club would scorn to possess. Mr. Lawrence is a lawyer, devoting himself chiefly to corporation and railroad togines. He is president of the Wheeling and Lake Die Rallway Company and a stockholder, director or trustee in a number of corporations. He belongs to the Manhattan Club and to the Larchmont Yacht Chb, being also commodore of the American Yacht Chb. He owns a fine steam yacht, the The Chb. He owns a fine steam yacht, the Thyra, on which he entertains his friends in handsome style.

Mr. Lawrence is also one of the best known Masons in the land. In 1883 he became Grand Master of the order in this State and held the position until 1880. His services to the fraternity have placed him high in the esteem of all its members. Largely on account of Ms ability and untiring energy the order was able to pay off the debt of \$500,000 which it owed on its building at Twenty-third-st. and Sixth-ave., and to lay up several hundred thousand dollars besides as a be sinning for the Masonio Home at Utica. Personally Mr. Lawrence is most gental. He presides at the dirners of the club gracefully, and his speeches are a delight to all the guests.

John Elderkin, secretary of the Lotos Club, has been and up in its affairs for nearly twenty-three years. He became a member in April, 1870, a few weeks after it was founded, and three years later was elected a director. He has been secretary three different times, being in the third year of his present service. For seven or eight years he visited the clubhouse daffy and still goes to it almost as frequently. For twenty years he has missed hardly an enterialment or dinner at the club, and has thus met nearly all the illustrious tine of actors, authors, explorers, composers, artists and statesmen who have been guests of the Lotes. Mr.



Elderkin knows about every member and has proposed perhaps fifty in the last three years. While secretary he has had the delicate and arduous task of arranging the dinners, and the satisfaction he has given to all speaks volumes for his tact and sagneity.

Since 1880 Mr. Elderldn has been a member Union Lengue, but the Lotos has ever remained his decreat love. He is, however, a regular attendant at the meetings of the Union League and is much interested in its art exhibitions. Mr. Elderlin is acquainted with most of the leading artists of the city and owns a fine collection of paintings. When the Colonial Club was organized he was made chairman of the Art Committee, being a charter member. The next two years he was chairman of the House Committee, but he had to resign, finding that his club work overtaxed his energies. He is also a life member of the Press Club. Mr. Elderkin is a man of great charm of manner and an entertaining talker. He is well known as a writer, being one of the editors of "The Ledger."

The City Club was exceedingly fortunate in finding, as soon as it had reached the stage where it needed one, a clubbonse admirably suited to it. In the fall a lesse was secured of No. 677 Fifth-ave., the former home of Mrs. Elizabeth L. Cole, whose will is now in the courts. The building is of proportions that are old fashioned in their generosity, and its wood-work and other fittings are those of an abode of wealth and taste. The club had to spend no great sum in farnishing the house and making the altera tions necessary. The ball is a noble one, as wide as some New-York homes. It is finished in hard wood and the broad stairway is of the same material. The attention of the visitor entering the house is at once attracted by the great clock which stands against the wall to the left beside the stairway. This old timepiece would touch the ceilings of some rooms. for it is about twelve feet tall. It is valued at \$4.500 and is the property of the Cole estate, having been left in the homestead with a few other articles.

The clock is well proportioned, carrying its height tell. The wood, which is of a rich dark color, is elaborately curved. There are chericles in plenty and angels blowing horns. The top is surmounted by a crown. Just above the dial is a Bon's head. Inside the clock, at the back, is the carved figure of a smirt, almost at life size. There are three big weights, on of which is ornamented with a skeleton. The clock has a chime of eight beils, and strikes eight times for the quarter, sixteen for the half and thirty-two for

On the Inside of the door are the words, "Built bye T. H. Crawford, clock maker to H. M. King James I. Mr Balph Winwood Knt." Below the door are the Cate 1991 and the motto, "Time Flies." Still lower is a curved image of Matthew, under which are the sage words, "Time Rules All Things." The dial is of beautifully engraved brass. It bears the royal arms of England and various artistic designs. The clock eps good time, no common virtue among old and

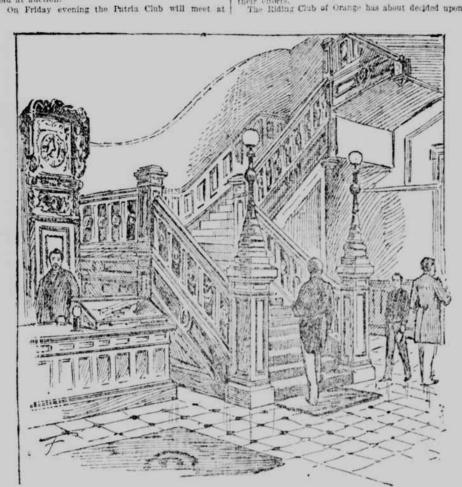
on Thursday evening the annual election of the Union League Club will be held. The Unket of the Dominating committee, which was published in The Tribune last Sunday, seems to please all the elements in the club, and there will be no contest. There will be a little scratching, as there always is. General Horace Porter will make almost an ideal president and John R. Van Wormer, the secretary, and George Montague, the treasurer, have given such satisfaction that their re-election has all along been assured.

Eugene J. Quin won the first prize and J. V. Higgins the second in the scratch billiard tournament at the Catholic Club. In the scratch pool contest Edward E. Bruner was first and S. V. Leary second. The bowling and handicap pool and billiard tournalents are unfinished

The council of the Groller Club on Tuesday adopted coluitons of sorrow at the death of Park Commissioner Albert Gallup, one of the founders of the club. citation, acted on the Building Co. mittee and serve treasurer for seven years. The Groller had its ly meeting on Thursday, an exhibition of partn.its

annual meeting is to take place on February 15, when, it is hoped, some patriots will be found to take the places of the five retiring members of the council. In the Groller it is usually difficult to get out of office, nce being in, the sentiment of the "outs" being that one good term deserves several others. Clarence W. Bowen will give a talk on "Portraits of Franklin" before the club on January 16. Stereopticon views of sixty pictures of the statesman will be shown. To-morrow the new publication of the club, "The Barons of the Potomack and Happahannock" will be ready for delivery. It contains a sketch of the life and times of Lawrence Washington and a lot of interesting material compiled from valuable papers owned by W. F. Havemeyer. The Publication mittee, under whose direction the work was issued. consists of Theodore L. De Vinne, S. P. Avery, Beverley Chew, W. L. Andrews and S. W. Marvin. One copy is printed for each of the 300 members and three extra ones are published on vellum. Of these, one is to remain in the club library and two are to be

On Friday evening the Patria Club will meet at



HALLWAY AND CLOCK OF THE CITY CLUB.

sherry's to hear addresses on "The American Con- I the plans of its new clubbonse. The club stitution" by John Bandolph Tucker, of Bichmond, Va., and Martin I. Townsend, of Troy. An informal discussion will follow the set speeches.

The Knickerbocker Tennis Club will have a sub-

and twenty-sixth st., on January 10.

The German Social-Scientific Society will listen to

an address by Henry W. Cherouny on "The Modern Stage and Good Taste," on Thursday evening at No.

Mr. Farman's entertainment at Westchester and

described on headed by John A. Deady for president. The argument used against the opposition ticket is that it has been put into the field by certain members who are solven to have the club run as an auxiliary parish house. This is denied by many supporters of the opposition the field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field is that Mr. Rice made a good president when he field by many supporters of the opposition to under the other president under the field because it will be at least three months before the field upon to undergo a practical to ever will become a favorite game among amateurs, as the majority of them find the ordinary three ball to ever will become a favorite game among amateurs, as the majority of them find the ordinary three ball to ever will become a favorite game among amateurs, as the majority of them find the ordinary three ball to ever will become a favorite game among amateurs, as the majority of them find the ordinary three ball to ever will become a favorite game among amateurs, as the majority of them find the ordinary three ball to ever will become a favorite game among amateurs, as the majority of them find the ordinary three ball to ever will become a favorite game among amateurs, as the majority of them find the ordinary three ball to ever will become a favorite game among amateurs, as the majority of them find the ordinary in the early and the ably be a lively one.

anniversaries. The Culumet Club will celebrate its annual dinner, to which those members of the club have been invited who have been in the club ten
years, on Saturday evening, January 2s. On Tours
day evening, the Narragausett Club, the social or
ganization of Tammany Hall in the XIXth Assembly
listrict, colebrated the control of the pro-District, colebrated the seventh anniversary of 11s oc-cupation of its clubbouse at No. 307 West reventyfourth-st. All the prominent Democratic politicians of the city were present as guests, and sixty gallons of the famous Narragansett punch were disposed of at the

iuncheon which followed the reception.

Notwithstanding the public impression that the last entertainment of the Christmas Society on Christmas Day was not an entire success its managers, Oliver Summer Teall, John Jacob Astor, Lispenard Stewart, Lloyd Aspinwall, Faisha Dyer, ir., and John C. Furman, filed a certificate of incorporation of the society under the name of The Christmas sortely, on Thur day,

The Thursday Evening Club will meet at Professor Chandler's on January 12. This club, which is composed of people in society, meets monthly during the senson at the house of its members in turn, and each host or hosters is obliged to provide some entertain ment of as much a literary nature as possible, and which shall be a surprise. Those who act as hosts are allowed to invite a certain number of quests who are not mem bers. At the last meeting of the clab, held at Miss Amy Townsend's, the pleasant surprise was afforded the members and guests of hearing Marton Crawford read an unpublished story of his own.

The Century Gub celebrated Twelfth Night on Friday evening with the usual appropriate ceremonte-These, if possible, were rather more chalorate this year than usual. They are kept as much as possible a secret, and the members are not supposed to speak of them to outsiders. The Twelfth Night celebration of the Century Club is one of the most uncommon features of club life in New-York. Learned judge and dignified and elderly men of all professions, wi are members of the clab, on this night, r lying upon the pledge of secreey which exists among the members often attire themelves in curious garments, personate most (aradoxical characters in history and frick about

The Adirondack League Club, perhaps the larges and most important of the numerous sporting clubs In the Adirondacks, has now over 200 members, and the shares which were originally \$1,000 encl are now quoted at \$1,200 each. The club news owns 175,000 acres of the most valuable forest land in the Adirondacks, and has just accured absolute title to the clubbouse Forest Lodge, which was built and formerly owned by A. D. Barber, and which he leased to the club for two years. The other chibbonse owned by the club on Little Moose Lake is an extremely handsome and perfectly equipped

The members of the Colonial Club are congratu lating each other that the club is now free from At the last meeting the balance of the indebtedness, \$27,000, was immediately raised by the members among themselves. To Colonel David s. Brown, first president of the club, has been pre-sented a remarkably handsome silver loving cup from friends in the club in appreciation of his services as president. The cup reposes in the smolding-root of the club, and has attracted much attention and admiration. There is talk of a new hotel club, the member

ship to be composed of the hotel proprietors of the New-York frequently on business.

The Calamet Club has recently adopted several of the rules and regulations of the Union Club. Members are not allowed to pay for anything ordered, exsept at the desk, but must sign checks for all sup-

The Euleherhocker Lowillag Club will hold its first meeting for the sexion on February 6 in the Touris Building in West Forty-first-st. This club has become the chief feature of the Lenten social season in New-

### ARMY NOTES OF INTEREST.

The first retrement for age among officers in the the New Year's gayeties at Tuxedo drew away from
the clubs all their younger members who are in
society. Not only at the Country Club and at Tuxedo.

The first retrement for age among officers in the
Arms for 1500 was that of Colonel Enders Smith.

Assistant Paymaster General and Paymaster of the sembled at these claims indoors.

The Christman decorations were removed from many of the clubs on Friday so as to have them down before Twellth Night, which fell on Priday night. There is an old superstrion that Christman group, if not removed before Twellth Night, bring bal look thoughout the year, and although club sowards cannot be considered as a rule a superstition, and the conditions of the Harlem Club will take place on January 14. An opposition ticked now before the controlled headed by Earth S. Rice for president. Mr. Rice formerly served in that capacity. The nominating committee has which the regular ticket one headed by John A. Deady for pecadent. The argument used against the opposition ticket. The has of Controls principles of the new artheries of the Church of the Holy Trinity and who wish to have the club run as an auxiliary perish heave. This is denied by many supparters of the capacity have been according to the most assume that the modern of the church of the Holy Trinity and who wish to have the club run as an auxiliary perish heave. This is denied by many supparters of the capacity have been according to the modern of the capacity of the Holy Trinity and who wish to have the club run as an auxiliary perish heave. This is denied by many supparters of the capacity have been according to the many supparters of the capacity of the Holy Trinity and who wish to have the club run as an auxiliary perish heave. but at all the other country clubs. Monday was on but at all the other country clubs. Monday was on Smith has been an able officer in his department, and foyed to the fullest extent, all the more because the betters with the good wishes of its comrades as he retires with the good wishes of its comrades as

the place than Mr. Deady. The election will probably be a lively one.

This seems to be the season for the holding of club inniversaries. The Culumst Club will celebrate its anniversaries. The Culumst Club will celebrate its anniversaries, to which those members of the club are been invited who have been in the club ten early for the increased standard possible to qualify themselves for the increased standard possible to grant the club in the club ten early on Saturday eventure.

in the service. The opinion of this highest legal tithroid will be upon the jurisdiction of a court-martial over officers in matters involving indebted. ness. Captain Pletcher was an officer on the retired het, and the argament of his counsel, submitted to the supreme Court, contends that neelect in paying a debt does not constitute "conduct unbecoming an officer and a centleman," especially as there was nothing scandalous or dishonest in Captain Fletcher's failure to pay the debts involved.

Anxlety and tribulation prevail with the officers at Fort Niebrara, and on account of the desire of the officers to have a place for social entertainment Colonel Gordon conferred with the quartermaster a to the feasibility of accouging the gymnasium so that the officers could give a hop. The conclusion was that the symmasium was ill adapted for the purpose and that to make the changes would cost a pile of money. The decision was that the assembly room would be just the place, but this suggestion met a warm protest from the chaplain upon the ground warm protest from the chaplain upon the ground that it had been used only for religious purposes and that to use it for dancing would be a serious affront to all religiously disposed people. He added that if the assential room were used for dashing it would soon be used for giving flowerical entertaluments. A company of strolling players gave performances in the vicinity of the fort a few months ago, which the chaplain disapproved, characterizing them as "lead beliefs and other shameful performances." As many of the officers had attended these "performances, and tale taken their wives to them, they demoniced the declaration that "beyd ballets and other shameful attractions" were seen there. The result is, according to a correspondent, that there are strained

A bit of history connected with the life of Emil A bit of history connected with the life of Emil Frey, who was recently elected Vice-President of the Swiss Republic, will interest both officers and exofficers of the Army. When the Civil War began in the United States young Frey was at a university in switzerland, and being moved with patriotic impulse to aid a strucking elser Republic, he came to this country, went directly to the Swiss colony in Illinois and enlisted as a referate in the cast Direct Vices. and enlisted as a private in the 2sth Hilmeis Volun-teers. "The Army and Navy Journal" says that he served with his regiment until he resigned as second fleutenant on June 17, 1802, to raise a company for the 82d Illinois, in which he served as captain until mastered out with it, June, 1865, having served about four years and constantly in the field. He was taken prisoner with part of the Eleventh Corps at Getty-burg an July 1, 1-643, and for a long time was held as hestings under sentence of death, and after his release was breveted a major for gallant and meditorious services. At the close of the war he returned to switzerland, where he obtained the rank next to the commander-in-chief, and was elected to the swiss Federal Council and served in the Cabinet. He revisited this country as the first Envoy Extraordinary and Minister Fleuipotentiary from switzerland to the United States, serving through the Administrations of Fresidents Garfield, Arthur and theveloud. The next step of this ex-private of the Federal Army of the United States is according to the custom in Switzerland, from that of Vice-President to President of a European Republic. Heutenant on June 17, 1802, to raise a company for

### USING POSTAGE STAMPS FOR SEALS. From Free Russia.

Americans who chance to receive letters from Russia are usually surprised to find the foreign postage stamp on their envelope used as a seal-affixed, that is to say, to the centre of the side opposite to that on which the neddress is written. Sometimes Russians settling in the United States continue the practice acquired at home, much, of course, to the annovance of United States postoffice officials. A case of this kind occurred States postoffice officials, a case of this kind occurred resently in New York State, but it was explained quite inadequately by a writer in "The World," who alleged that the colouists scaled their letters with the postage stamps because communications from the United States were usually opened in the Russian postoffices before being delivered. As a matter of fact, the helit is efficient all through Russia, and simply means that distrust of the imperial postofice in that country is widespread.

# NEW BILLIARD GAME.

MAURICE DALY'S IMPORTATION.

York Athletic Club are coming in slowly but steadily, and with the new officers it is thought and hoped SOMETHING WHICH HAS BEEN ATTRACTING that the \$100,000 necessary will be raised within a

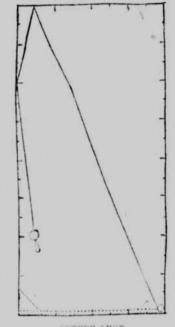
ATTENTION IN PARIS. Maurice Daly, who has been conspicuously identified with billiards for the last twenty years in this country, is responsible for the importation of the new French game which is attracting a great deal of at tention in billiard circles just now. Mr. Daly has always had the reputation of being enterprising and "pushing." When he read in the papers that the women in New-York society, and skating, which had, owing to a long succession of mild winters, become billiard experts in Paris were monopolizing the at-tention of the billiard world and were inducing all the

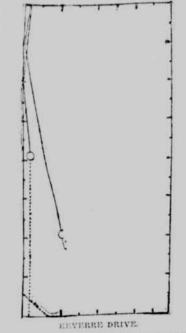


fessor Kasrlus, John Deery, Mortimer Humphrey, W. H. Spink, the California champion, and Daly himself take part in games which entertain the spec-tators and afford many ambitious amateurs on opportunity to learn the science of the game.

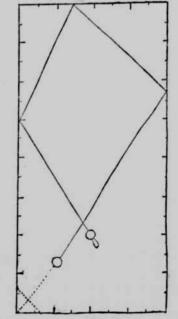
The new French sport is called "the corner game.

It is a simple game to look at, but an extremely difficult one to play well. Two balls are used, one being placed in the right-hand corner of the upper From this position it must be driven acre the table and placed inside the boundary line marked





There is no doubt that Daly's "Academy" is a sucess, and it seems only a question of time when he will have to increase the facilities to accommodate the people who wish to see the games. At first he had only one corner of his parlor curtained off; now he has the entire end of the room, and he finds that almost too small. In Paris the games are played in amplitheatres con-tincted exclusively for playing, and the best talent that can be procured is ngaged to play regular seasons at these places. Daly's ambition is to establish the same thing in New-

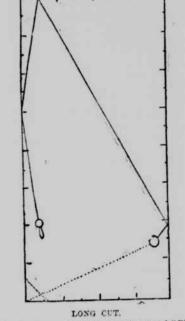


LONG ANGLE DRIVE.

York. He has secured Spink for a season, and he has arranged with Ives, the Chicago champion, to play for a week before he sails for England, where he is going to play a match with the English champion. Schaefer will also appear under Daly's management when he returns from Paris, and will meet "all comers" at any sort of a game. Other expert players will be engaged as fast as the demand requires them. All New-York Central.

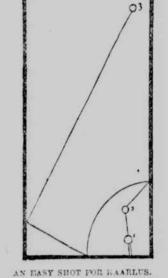
kinds of games will be played, from the new French

When only fourteen years old Daly began his pro essional billiard career, his first match being with a boy named Hennessy. The game took place in room kept by Daly's uncle, Dudley Kavanagh, at Broadway and Tenth-st. Daly's early skill earned



MAURICE DALY.

best players in America to go to that city he decided that he would make a personal investigation and find out what was being done. On October 15 he sailed for Parls and made a careful study of the French idiliard methods that seemed to be so popular. The result is that Daly is now imitating what he saw in a modest sort of manner. In his billiard parlor at No. 1,202 Broadway he has curtained off one end, which he calls his "Academy," and every evening games are played there after the Parls fastion. Professor Kaarlus, John Deery, Mortimer Humphrey. for him the names of "Billiard Prodigy" and "Billiard



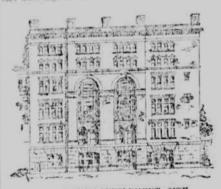
AN EASY SHOT FOR KAARLUS.

Manrice Daly stands to-day as a billiard expert of reat nerve and coel judgment. His open, brilliant cound-the table shots are perfect, and to his credit have be placed the ortainality of a great number of hots. He has done a great deal toward bringing the ame to its present high standard. He is a good aritamentarian, with keen perception, and at all dilliard congress meetings his oratory is fully up to deplay. Dely's success is well deserved; his habits of life are such as keep him nearly always in good daying form, and he is for that reason never an easy man to beat by players of the own class of speed, is has shown repeatedly his ability to rally when it was necessary and thereby win creditably victories, to has though his recombed characters at victories, to have though his recombed characters at string multiles, not less than his uniform skill as a player, when a high position in the billiard world, and his late more as against six of the world's greatest experts outless much him a well-merited distinction. The whom an algorithm of billiards are in safe hands when non the Manrice Daly have them in charge. He is non of needlam height, with rather dark halr and austache, and a keen gray eye.

## TOU PEOPLE ON THE EAST SIDE.

PROPOSED BUILDING OF THE UNIVERSITY SET-

he laws upon which that advancement depends; the perts in such sindy; the creation of new institutions for the same purposes, under the charge of experts to trained. The society proposes to organize, and in friends who occasionally invite them to go out driving. resining. likewise by the laboratory method, of ex-



UNIVERSITY SETTLEMENT, CITY.

the people of the East Side into clubs for their own dvancement. The plan of the late Charles Loring Brace, that of "an ounce of prevention," will be car-ried out as regards the younger generation. The sucessful art exhibition given last summer on the East side justifies the belief that a work of the kind pro-

The structure proposed is five stories high, and Ralph C. Gildersleeve, the architect, estimates the cost at \$75,000 with the ground. The design is

Raiph C. Gidersieeve, the ground. The design is cost at \$75,000 with the ground. The design is Renaissance, but modest in design, as a building of this kind to make an impression must be.

In the basement are provisions for a gymnasium, and on the first floor the hall and stage occupy the whole. The second floor contains two large clubrooms and tolle-rooms, while on the third are three school rooms. The fourth floor is entirely devoted to chambers, which will be occupied by the society's workers. More chambers, a dining-room and kitchen are on the top story. A roof garden is to be a feature of the building.

Reck-faced blue limestone is to be used for the facate of the basement story; above, buff brick with term-cotta trimmings will be used. As soon as sufficient funds have been received a cite will be elected. Contributions may be sent to it. D. Sedzwick, Ir., Secretary, No. 100 Broadway. The officers of the society are: Seth Low, president; James W. Alexander, E. Benjamin Andrews, Stanton Colt, Affred J. Computen, Charles S. Fairchild, Merelli E. Getes, D. C. Gilmen, Oswald Ottendorfer, Carl schurz, William M. Sloon and H. P. Wright, vice presidents; H. D. sedgwick, Jr., secretary, and A. C. Bernheim treasurer.

#### " REFUBLICAN REORGANIZATION." Senator Dolph in The North American Review,

Senator Dolph in The North American Review.

There has been some talk, since the result of the late Presidential election became known, concerning the necessity for a reorganization of the Regulation party. Just what is meant by reorganization is not clear. If it is only proposed that cleares shall be made in the method of conducting political campaigns, in order to secure a better canvass and more accurate information as to the political affiliations or preferences of electors: to bring those who are temporarily charged with the management of the campaign and the party leaders into touch with the masses, and to provide a more effective means for reaching the individual voter, no one will question the necessity. If, again, by the reorganization of the Republican party is meant the abandonment of those principles of the party which are supposed to have metwith popular disapproval, such a reorganization is impossible. It would involve a final dissolution of the party. Any party which can adopt new principles to meet every chance emergency, and which has no higher alm than public plunder, is not worthy to receive, and cannot hope long to retain, the support of that portion of the country without which no party can succeed. It has been gravely suggested that the Republican party should seek success by an abandonment or a modification of its position upon the tarift, by the adoption of same modified financial proposition which would satisfy a supposed popular demand, or by a formal declaration against Federal centrel of Federal elections. The Republican party must look for success in the triumph of its principles, and not by triumning its sails to catch every popular breeze.

FROM BENCH AND BAR.

GATHERED FROM LAWYERS AND AMONG THE COURTS.

Judge John J. Freedman, of the Superior Court, sat at the trial term. Part II, last week, though much of his work recently has been at the General Term of the Court. He began his judicial career just twenty-four years ago. When first appointed to the Superior Court bench by Governor Hoffman Judge Freedman was only thirty-three years old, and nearly half of his life before that time had been passed his native country, Germany.



Judge Freedman's manner is quick and decisive. He is precise in his language and has a slight German accent in his speech. His writings, however, are models of the purest English, and it is a literary treat to read many of his opinions. His style in founded on a study of the writers of two centuries founded on a study of the writers of two centuries ago, and his sentences are at times Addisonian. He is considered one of the half dozen judges whose opinions are read with interest by lawyers who take pleasure in literature, no matter whether the subject discussed is or is not one it, which the reader ordinarily feets much interest. Judge Freedman's opinions are of great weight among his colleagues, and his experience and judgment are highly valued. He is popular with lawyers, because, though he holds them to strict account, he is universally fair and decides questions quickly. Judge Freedman was last elected in November, 1810, after a unanimous nomination by the Tammany Hall, Republican and Municipal Lengue organizations.

The annual reports of the work performed in the The annual reports of the work performed in the various courts were made public last week, and unfortunately do not indicate that there is any prospect of doing away with the delay in the trial of cases, which is a frequent subject of complaint. There remain on the Circuit calendar of the Supreme Court about 3.200 cases, and about 1,500 were disposed of last year. At that rate it would take two years to dispose of the cases now on the calendar. Of course some of the old cases are practically dead, course some of the old cases are practically dead, but a large number of new issues is constantly arising, so that the calendar in this court may fairly be considered to be two years behind hand. In the Superior and Common Pleas courts there is also a large number of cases undisposed of. The number of appeals disposed of at General Term its the Supreme Court was large, but this, as well as other branches of the court, is overcrowded. The number of cases in which motions have been passed upon at Supreme Court, Chambers, also indicates great industry in the judges who have sat in that branch of the Court. It is probable that when the next Constitutional

Convention meets an attempt will be made to in-crease the number of judges of the Supreme Court. of this city, and there may be a reorganization of the Superior City courts, so that cases may be more quickly disposed of than under the present system. A large part of the delay at present comes from the habit among lawyers of asking for adjournments, and granting them to their opponents on insufficient grounds. It has become frequently a matter of courtesy for the lawyer on one side to agree to an adjoarnment when asked for on personal grounds by the attorney on the other side, and the interests of clients frequently suffer on this and the interests of clients frequently suffer on this account. The judges are perhaps more strict than they were a lew years ago in demanding good excuses for postponement, but the habit of adjourning by consent, to suit the wishes of one or the other lawyer in the case has largely increased, so that the avoidable delay is as great as ever. The trial terms frequently adjourn early in the day and sit for only a portlen of each month, when they might continue much longer in session if the lawyers were uracul in demanding that their cases be tried, when reached. The judges in some of the courts are industrious and at limits overtaxed, but there are others who might accomplish a larger amount of work if they forced the lawyers to try the cases on the calendars, and only granted adjournments for some necessary reason.

Professor John Ordonaux, of the Columbia Law School, one of the most perfectly-trained and well-equipped instructors in the country, receives notice in the last number of "The Columbia Law Times." In the last number of "The Columbia Law Times."

Professor Ordonaux, to fit himself to give instruction on medical jurisprudence, not only studied law, but took his degree as a doctor of medicine, and in the last twenty or thirty years has also had much official experience in supervising the methods in which the linuxly laws are enforced. He has taught in Columbia and Dartmonth colleges for many years, and his writings include not only a number of volumes relating to the foraich of law which he has especially studied, but poems, literary addresses and contributions to the most widely circulated magnitudes. The United States Circuit Court of Appeals for the

et does organize in a measure at the present time. A man living in Sloux City received a visit from his two sisters, and invited them to drive with him. They drove across the railroad track in Sloux City, and the wagon was struck by a train on the Union Pacine Railroad. One of the women was killed. Her administrator began a suit against the raile ad company for the loss of the woman's life, and the company invoked the doctrine of "impated negligence," asserting that if the driver were cateless his negligence must be impured to those who were in the conveyance with him. The court refused to lay down this doctrine, which has sometimes been applied in cases where parents have carelessly allowed their children to go to places where they were liable to recelve injuries. The Court of Appeals decides that the deceased woman was not guilty of negligence, and that she had no control over her brother, who was driving the team. Circuit Judge Sanborn, who delivered the opinion, says that if a person "who rides in a private carriage on the invitation of the owner and driver of the team cannot recover of a third person, whose careless act is the proximate cause of his injury, it must be because the negligence of his injury, it must be because the negligence of the guest," and he says that the same reasoning would make the guest hable for any jojury caused by the carelessness of the driver, as well as free a third person from any responsibility for injury inflicted on the guest by a carcless net when the driver had on the guest by a carcless net when the driver had on the guest by a carcless net when the driver had on the guest by a carcless net when the driver had on the guest by a carcless net when the driver had seen himself somewhat negligent. The wrongful not of the railroad company was the proximate cause of the inquiry. "I pen what principle new, Judge Sanborn says, "can it be justly said that the decedent must bear all this base, when she neither caused, hor was responsible for, nor could have prevented it, because this trird person assisted to cause the injury, the proximate cause of which was the wrongful act of the defendant company: If there exists in the realms of furlsprudence any sound principle upon which so unrighteens a punishment of the innecent and discharge of the gully may be based we have been unable to discover it." An English case was decided forty or fifty years ago in which the negligence of the driver of an oranibus was deemed sufficient to prevent a person riding in the oranibus from recovering damages for the careless act of the driver of another vehicle, on the ground of imputed heritace, but the United States source that decision. In some states the peculiar doctrine of "imputed negligence" has no place, and it is a motter of congratulation that the United States courts have not extended it in this case. the driver is under the law the negligence of the

The most interesting and important note of the several articles which appear on various subjects in the current number of "The American Law Register and entreet number of the American." Only the Review" is one on "Gerrymandering." Only the initials "E. D. S." are signed to the note, but it is in that department of law annotation in "The Review" of which ex-Judge John F. Dillon, of this city, is in charge. The annotator takes as his principal case the course of American sustaining the recent decision of the Court of Appeals sustaining the Apportionment act in this State, and reviews the de-cision in the two Wisconsin cases and the North Carolina and Michigan cases. He does not besitate to criticise the New-York decision as being out of line lina and Michigan cases. He does not be retitived the New-York decision as being out of tine with those in other States. The New-York decision, as well as these of the other States, holds that the court has a right to interfere with the action of the Lerishaure when the mandate of the Constitution violated is direct and positive, and it does not seem to be questioned that the Lerishaure may use its discretion in apportionment cases so long as the discretion is not abused. The difference of opinion arises as to what constitutes a manifold abuse of the limited discretion allowed by the Constitution. As to one of the opinions of the lower courts, the writer says that the constitutional provision as to equality of population in the Assembly districts "was boddy construed out of the way, with screne disregard of the canon of construction, that words shall be understood to have their ordinary signification, by holding as nearly as can be ascertained from the argument that these words do not mean as nearly as easily as possible or practicable, but as nearly as the Legislature may think proper." The Court of Appeals adapted a slightly different reasoning, but the minority opinions are quoted by the writer as clearly pointing out the fallacios and dangers of the doctrines of the majority opinion.